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Careful review and examination of the subject application are noted and appreciated. Applicant's representative thanks Examiner Tran for the indication of allowable matter.

CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102

The rejection of claims 1-20 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by DeKoning, et al. '023 (hereinafter DeKoning) is respectfully traversed and should be withdrawn.

Claims 1, 14 and 15 have been amended to include the allowable matter of claim 22. Allowable claim 23 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claim 1. As such, the presently claimed invention is fully patentable over the cited references and the rejection should be withdrawn.

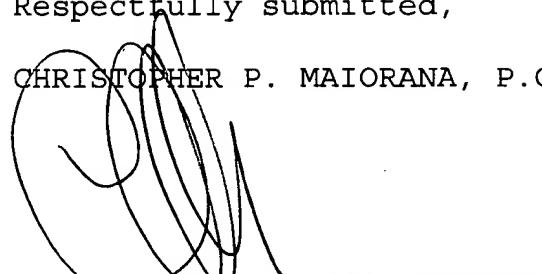
Accordingly, the present application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action by the Examiner is respectfully solicited.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to call the Applicant's representative at 586-498-0670 should it be deemed beneficial to further advance prosecution of the application.

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